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Judge Lewis J. Liman
United States Southern District Court

RE:

Alex Holmes, et al. v. Chet Stojanovich

Case No.: 20cv4448 (LJL)

Dear Judge Liman:

As you know I represent the plaintiffs in the above referenced matter. I apologize for missing the conference today at 3:00 p.m., I was enthralled in a deposition that I thought would end earlier and lost track of time.

Mr. Stojanovich has not provided me with any documentation as ordered by the Court to purge himself of Your Honor's contempt finding.

I note that Mr Stojanovich is currently incarcerated in the MDC Federal Detention Center located in Brooklyn, NY. I heard from his Federal Public Defender who sent me the attached e-mail and indicated Mr. Stojanovich will be exercising his Fifth Amendment Right at any further civil proceedings.

I will await further instructions from the Court on how to proceed with the ongoing contempt issue.

Mr. Stojanovich is being provided a copy of this letter via e-mail and also to the detention center via USPS.

Respectfully submitted,

E. STEWART JONES HACKER MURPHY LLP

/s/ John F. Harwick

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cc: Chet Stojanovich, via e-mail and USPS

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Motion for Conference

John,

I do not represent Mr. Stojanovich in the civil case and cannot accept service on his behalf in that case.

The criminal charges that have been filed against Mr. Stojanovich underscore his Fifth Amendment right not to incriminate himself by making statements in the civil case. I doubt that Judge Liman can constitutionally compel him to make such statements through contempt proceedings in this posture. The civil case should be stayed during the pendency of the criminal case, where I understand the government is seeking restitution on behalf of your clients.

I have copied AUSA David Lewis on this email.

Clay

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Clay-

See the below notice of telephone hearing. I represent Chet's victims in this civil case.

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that the contempt hearing set for May 3, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. proceed as scheduled and that Plaintiffs' counsel be permitted to attend via videoconference or phone instead of in person. See Dkt. Nos. 83-84. It is hereby ORDERED that the in person contempt hearing scheduled for May 3, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. shall proceed as a telephonic hearing. Parties are directed to dial into the Court's teleconference line at 888-251-2909 and use access code 2123101. Plaintiffs are ORDERED to serve a copy of this Order on Defendant Stojanovich via email and mail and on Defendant's counsel in the criminal matter: Clay Hubbard Kaminsky, Federal Defenders of New York Inc. (NYC), 52 Duane Street, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10007. The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to close Dkt. Nos. 83 and 84. SO ORDERED. Telephone Conference set for 5/3/2022 at 03:00 PM before Judge Lewis J. Liman. (Signed by Judge Lewis J. Liman on 4/28/2022) (va)

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